

Here and Hereabouts.

Warm summer!

Pay up. Pay up.

The nights are cool.

Needed in this office—A cat.

Now is the time to subscribe.

Advertise in the DEMOCRAT.

Let's all go to the Weldon Fair.

Read piece on first page by Dr. Fugh.

Our Richmond crowd got back O. K.!

Dear hunting hasn't proved very exciting to us.

Let's get up a fire company. What say you?

Went on one.

Scotland Neck is a good cotton market.

Don't forget this.

Strawberry plants for sale, choice varieties by J. Y. Savage.

Tarboro Fair is going on. How many from this place are ever there?

New guns don't shoot any better than old ones as we have found out.

What's the matter with correspondents? No letters this week hardly.

J. H. Lawrence has a fresh supply of clover and O. G. Grass seed.

We regret to learn of the illness of Miss Ella Sherrod, at the residence of Dr. Roddick.

Xmas will soon be here. Don't forget. It comes this year on the 25th day of December.

Look here, have you paid your subscription yet? Now is the time, plenty of cotton.

That was again—Why don't our commissioners have that well near the P. O. shut up or fixed.

Bring your watermelons to town. You can get better prices for them than you did two months ago.

Call at S. Rothschild's and select from the big bankrupt stock and save 50 per cent in your purchases.

Deer hunting is the fun for several of our townsmen. They seem to be successful too, but a big buck will slink.

The series of meetings now in progress at the Methodist church in this place are well attended.

New horses are being brought to town. While Mr. B. D. Gray was in Richmond last week he purchased a nice horse.

Miss Annie Manning, of Henderson, who had been visiting a few weeks in town returned home with her father Saturday.

Call at M. Hoffman & Co's and obtain for \$2.00 a pair of James Menas' shoes. They are the best in the market for \$2.00.

The Weldon Fair will be a success, no doubt and all who go will be highly entertained. Machinery of all kinds. Go and you can see a fair.

Chicken roosters will fight and slay gets the worst of it. One red rooster committed rooster slaughter the other day in front of our office.

Mr. Jos. H. Branch, who was formerly a resident of Chowells, but who of late has been living at Windsor, has returned to this county near Dawson's.

We call attention to the advertisement of Mr. J. Y. Savage. It is poetry you see. Mr. Savage has long been known to our people and he is still a candidate for their patronage.

We failed to call attention to the advertisement of Edmondson & Josey last week. Read it carefully. This is a very live firm and buyers will do well to read their advertisement.

Protracted meeting at the Methodist Church. Rev. Mr. Brooks, of Wilson, is assisting Rev. Mr. Rose in the meeting. Preaching every night. All should attend who can.

Read Mr. W. H. Randolph's advertisement. This gentleman is located at Tillery's station. He is a progressive, and enterprising merchant, and buyers should give him a call.

Our townsmen, Mr. R. C. Freeman, has a Jersey cow from which he has realized 24 pounds of butter per week. He thinks she will reach 28 pounds during this winter.—*Messenger*.

Capt. Hassardshot, the clever conductor of the Scotland Neck R. R. is now enjoying a short, well earned vacation. He is having fun as a hunter. Mr. W. H. Smith is the conductor pro tem.

The following is a list of patents granted to inventors in the Carolinas, Oct. 20, 1885: H. F. Ford, Aiken, S. C., railway switch; Wm. E. Jones, Asheville, N. C., portable fence; Wm. H. Mercer, Mercer, S. C., automatic fan; P. E. Smith, Scotland Neck, N. C., spark arrester.

The Rev. H. G. Hilton, having resigned the rectorship of Trinity Parish, Scotland Neck, of the Diocese of North Carolina, has accepted a call to be the rector of Grace Church, Plymouth, of the Diocese of East Carolina. His P. O. address hereafter will be Plymouth, N. C.

There are 150 cases on the criminal docket and 125 on the civil for trial at the term of Superior Court of this county. Sheriff Crowell—who makes a model sheriff—is all ready for court now.

Judge Phillips will preside at the next term, and Judge Connor having exchanged courts.—*Advance*.

C. W. Dunn has recently added to his livery outfit a new double-seated spring wagon. It was purchased from the celebrated Watertown Buggy & Wagon Works, Watertown, N. Y.—and is just the thing for "commercial tourists" to let themselves away into the inland towns.

Scotland Neck comes in for the premium on having the oldest negro. His name was Peter Williams. He died near town Tuesday night; his age is not exactly known, but newspapers generally would place it at about 117 years. He never saw George Washington, therefore he was not his carriage driver.

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Why is this? Is it because our people are not aware of the great harm produced by the liquor traffic and of the great good that would be effected by its removal or extinction, or do they think prohibition unwise and inexpedient? Is the silence of the state press due to the unpopularity of prohibition with the masses, or is it because there are not any straight out prohibitionists among its intelligent members? As the latter cannot be the case it may be attributed to the former reason.

It can easily be understood why many editors, who are prohibitionists, think it to their interest to be silent on this subject, but it is a thing to be commented upon, why some of the numerous prohibitionists of the state do not speak to the public through the columns of our newspapers. Prohibition has already a strong foothold, and is rapidly gaining ground in the Union. A few weeks ago Ohio cast no less than 36,000 votes for prohibition, about triple the vote cast in that state last year for St. John. Last year New York cast upwards of 25,000 votes for St. John, and if the gain in that State is equal to Ohio's gain, the prohibition vote will reach figures that will make her turn power shake with fear and trembling.

North Carolinians have ever been a liberty loving people, quick to fight for their rights and slow to adopt any measure that seems calculated to detract from them; hence one cause of North Carolina's tardiness in taking hold of prohibition; though it (prohibition) has not yet recovered from its set back a few years ago.

Our state is progressing rapidly, intellectually as well as materially, and I believe to many of her interests, and the time is not far distant before she will awake to her interest in behalf of this cause. When the good people of our state see and understand that prohibition will increase, instead of diminishing their liberties, as many already do, they will rally to its standard and battle for freedom as in "days of old" for freedom from the curse of the liquor traffic.

P. S. I will be glad to hear from some other prohibitionists through the columns of the DEMOCRAT provided it is willing to receive our contributions, and if there are no prohibitionists who wish to contribute, will some "Anti" give his views.

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